

Substitute Bill No. 540

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## AN ACT CONCERNING FEES FOR UTILITY LINES CROSSING LONG ISLAND SOUND.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2006) Any person with a
- 2 certificate for electric power line crossings, gas pipeline crossings or
- 3 telecommunications crossings of Long Island Sound approved
- 4 pursuant to section 16-50k of the 2006 supplement to the general
- 5 statutes shall pay a one time fee to the Commissioner of Agriculture
- 6 for the use of state-owned land underwater. The commissioner shall
- 7 assess on such permittee a fee of not less than fifteen dollars and forty-
- 8 two cents per linear foot of cables and pipelines. Any fee under this
- 9 section shall be in addition to the host payment fee provided for in
- subsection (c) of section 26-194 of the general statutes.
- 11 (b) The Commissioner of Agriculture may adopt regulations, in
- 12 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to
- implement the provisions of this section, including, but not limited to,
- 14 procedures for assessment and payment of the fee.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2006	New section

## Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

The last sentence of Subsec. (a) was added for consistency with the general statutes.

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